

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor( if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**ORAL FLUID RAPID ASSAY FOR HEPATITIS C VIRUS (HCV) ANTIBODIES USING NON-ANTIBODY LABELING OF IgA MOLECULES RECOGNIZING HCV PEPTIDE EPITOPES**

the specification of which  
[X] is attached hereto

[ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_  
Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_  
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(if applicable)

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 (a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States, § 120 of any United States application(s) or any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, of Federal Regulations Code, § 1.56(a) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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